

golden pages, sacred thoughts of divine influence, that leads their susceptible minds to good and noble deeds. It teaches them to observe the Sabbath day and keep it holy. It continually refreshes their young minds with the dews of heaven, and prepares them to endure the trials of this life, and thus reflect credit upon the family.

It stimulates the brave who dare to advocate the right, instead of the customs of worldly rules; for it is the *fool* who dares to stay the progress of spiritual thought, to be in line with the ignorance of the past.

In conclusion suffer me to affirm that the influence which the Sunday school has, is, and will exert can only be measured when time shall ceased to be. Then as we stand upon the brink of the great ocean of eternity we shall realize the number of saints, made such by its benign influence. At that morn of the great and interminable unknown, look around, behold every street, every alley, every hill, every valley, every mountain, every plain, is crowded and still they come. The very dust beneath us is stirring with life. The very plants and trees are dissolving, and their particles are appropriated by Sunday school made saints, which take their places. The "last rose of summer" melts away in the lover's hand, and the dissolved dust is claimed by the rising orphan or rising, and regenerated age, saved by its influence. The influence of the Sunday school has saved fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, children, friends and has redeemed its thousands from the ranks of sorrow stricken orphanage. Roll on blest Sunday school and you will leave as a virgin kiss a rainbow which will span the world and upon whose iridescent arch rest the floors of heaven. Fly on blest influence make men's natures love their character of holiness, and thus establish the divine truth of thy mission.

A DISCOVERY.

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Some of our esteemed brethren have made the discovery that Jesus ate his last Supper on the 14th of the first month or Nisan. That Simply means as I understand it; that Jesus "Before

the Feast of the Passover." John xiii, 1 ate his last common Supper with the twelve apostles at his usual time and place in Jerusalem. Somewhere on Thursday evening before good Friday, being the evening of March 22nd of the past spring of 1894. There is not a trace of the passover in this last Supper of his. Jesus did not live to eat the passover this last spring of his natural life. During His last Supper He spoke thus to His disciples about the pending passover: "With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer; for I say unto, I shall not eat it until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God." Luke xxii, 15, 16. He said "I shall not eat it" and He did not eat it. It was fulfilled about 18 hours afterward "in the kingdom of God." He fully realized that he would not live to eat the passover, for an eye witness says: "Now before the feast of the passover, Jesus knowing that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them unto the end." John xiii, 1. While his last Supper on a low table in a dish or tureen, He rose from Supper and washed his disciples feet and then resumed his place and reclining posture at the table and then dipped a morsel out of the tureen and gave it into the mouth of Judas. The Master then spoke to Judas and some of the disciples thought Jesus had said to Judas, "Buy what things we have need of for the feast of the passover," or something about the poor. The constituents of the passover were a lamb roast with fire and whole, with unleavened cakes and bitter herbs. They had not bought the things they needed for the passover. They had only spoken for an upper room guest chamber in a Khan for the following night.

But I have been digressing and am off from the subject of keeping the traditions which the teacher instituted during and after his last supper, and in the night in which he was betrayed.

O yes, brethren, that time is as easily ascertained as the time of Easter. It always falls from say March 21 to April 25. In other words, on Thursday night before Good Friday. That is

the night in which He washed his disciples feet and instituted the communion of loaf and cup as symbols of his broken body and of his shed blood. Now while I, at present, cannot think of a reasonable objection against keeping feast of love and memorial services on that night I would caution you not to build too much nor too highly upon the customs and teachings of the Elders of Jerusalem and of Polycrates as these were the leaders of the judaizing party or division of the primitive church on the one hand as arrayed vs. Peter, Paul, Luke, Timothy, Silas, Titus, Apollos, Aquila, Theophilus and others. We also have the example of disciples coming together to break bread on the first day of the week before the church of Jerusalem had any such pretentious bishops with great big handles to their names. The destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in A. D. 70 brought ruin to the proud Maccabean Jews and their decendants, and humiliation to the Jewish Christian Prelates of Jerusalem. Paul entered Rome in the month of March, in the year 61 in the seventh year of the reign of Nero. Nine years later Jerusalem was destroyed and the christian church there.

Preachers being zealous to follow the example of their Master and teacher looks well. How does it come that no preacher seems enthusiastic in following the example of our great and divine Teacher in striking a sitting attitude while teaching the people "When he had sat down, his disciples came unto him: and he opened his mouth and taught them, saying. Blessed are the poor in Spirit: for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven." There are I hope, a few points in this paper that instruct and edify some one.

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A good prayer meeting always begins before the bell rings.

When God finds a man he can trust with money he soon fills all his pockets.

The best thing to do when you make a mistake is to make it teach you something.

Keep the devil away from children, and he will soon be driven out of the world.